

MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
P.W.S.D. #1 OF STONE COUNTY
November 24, 2025

This regular Board of Directors meeting took place on Monday, November 24, 2025, at the Kimberling City Community Center on 34 Kimberling City Blvd.

Jesse Deets opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Present: President Jesse Deets; V. President Kristie Usher; Director Richard Gardner; Accountant Alan Nippes and District Clerk Jeanette Karl. Absent: none.

The meeting opened and there were no public comments or requests.

Minutes:

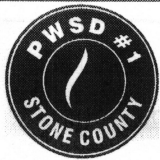
- The minutes for the October 27, 2025, regular meeting have been read with a motion to approve as written by R. Gardner and a second by K. Usher. All were in favor, and no one opposed.

Financial:

- The Disbursements and Assets for October 2025 were reviewed, and a motion was made by R. Gardner to approve disbursements for October 2025 as noted, and a second was made by K. Usher. All were in favor. No one opposed.
- Alan Nippes and board members reviewed proposed 2026 Budget. We will look at adjusting the following IT Expenses, office supplies and postage, contract labor, and trash to approve at our December meeting.
- R. Gardner brought up the concern that if hypothetically our well goes down, do we have the money for repairs? A. Nippes said we have reserves we can tap into.
- J. Karl brought up that boring is starting back up in our district, so we may see an increase in repairs if they hit our lines. R. Gardner said we should push for reimbursement from the boring company when they hit our lines. J. Deets stated that since most of our lines are PVC and there is no way to detect it like metal lines that is difficult to prove. R. Gardner asked if we should obtain quotes on mapping our district. A. Nippes stated it can run you \$40,000 or more to do this and maps are not immediate as it may take years to get it completed. This topic is tabled for another meeting.
- R. Gardner stated he has been looking at other water districts and their rate increases, specifically Willard and Republic who are making drastic increases to catch up on not doing cost of living increases. Most other districts are making cost of living increases. We need to consider PWSD making cost of living increase each year, so it is not such a shock to the customers.

Operations:

- Mona Fennema has signed the operator contract; the board has signed and approved. A motion was made by R. Gardner and a second by K. Usher to approve. All were in favor, and no one opposed.
- J. Karl reviewed the Late Bills / Collections for October 2025. Compared to last month the outstanding balance was \$13,422.80. This month's outstanding balance is only \$2,837.74.
 - Past Due accounts that paid in full: 22 Accounts - \$4,256.26
 - Past 30 days: 21 accounts - \$1,570.72
 - Past 60 days: 6 accounts - \$1,267.02
- J. Karl stated that since we have been correcting ACH's and sending notifications of outstanding accounts in one month we have collected \$10,585.06 of our outstanding account balance. The board and Alan were very happy, stating keep up the good work.



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- We have received 3 calls this month non-emergency calls on the emergency phone, 1 of the 3 had a small leak and was fixed the next business day.
- We continue to update RVS with customer missing emails from our website alerts list and when they call in. So far, we are only 25% without emails. We have been asking customers to create their online profile to receive notifications and bills via email from NBP. This can help them in the cases of people not receiving their bills through the post office on time.
- J. Karl updated the Emergency Operation plan with all of our new people, phone numbers etc.
- We reviewed and updated old SOPs (monthly operating bills, billing reduction, door posting of mtgs, billing clerk)
- A vendor spreadsheet was created and is continually updated to track COI, W-9, Contracts, rate sheets etc. Current Contractors W-9, COI are asked for when we request bids.
- I-site has been updated with their new software version as well as updates to new employees instead of using old employees log in from 2014.
- Gutters have been ordered, and we are on schedule to be installed in December
- Gathering bids for lawn care, leaf/snow removal as the current vendor is hard to reach and we must chase him down when services are needed.

Old Business:

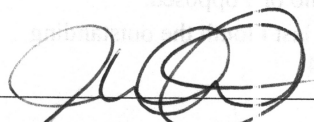
- J. Deets reviewed the bids from Digital Wave and Branson Computers for IT Support. A motion was made by R. Gardner and a second by K. Usher to approve Digital Wave Option 1 for \$1500.00 for security fire wall one-time fee and \$291.00 per month for their services. J. Karl will contact them and get it set up. We will make sure that the COI has Cyber Security Coverage Insurance. All were in favor, and no one opposed.
- MAW Advisory Committee update - J. Deets spoke with our attorney, Alex Riley, and we need to finalize the contract verbiage with MAW before we move forward with the petition. Our attorney is working with a team at MAW to accomplish this. Then the contract can be signed and brought before the judge with the petition. A. Riley stated that the Senate is looking at making changes to the law which currently requires a 2/3 vote and change to a 50% plus 1 vote. R. Gardner asked, if this passes how long before it becomes law? J. Deets will ask A. Riley about this.

New Business:

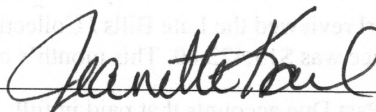
- The board has discussed meeting a little earlier. This topic of considering a change meeting day and time has been tabled for next meeting.

J. Deets made a motion to adjourn meeting and a second was made by R. Gardner. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Next meeting December 8, 2025



Acting President – Jesse Deets



District Clerk – Jeanette Karl